

08-10-01

ET 24010079805

8/9/01

A.

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No. AUS920010565US1

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

**CHRISTOPHER HARRY AUSTEN, VAN HOA LEE and DAVID R. WILLOUGHBY**For: **METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PRODUCT FOR BOOTING A PARTITION USING  
ONE OF MULTIPLE, DIFFERENT FIRMWARE IMAGES**Assignee Name: International Business Machines Corporation  
Assignee Residence: Armonk, New York

Enclosed are also:

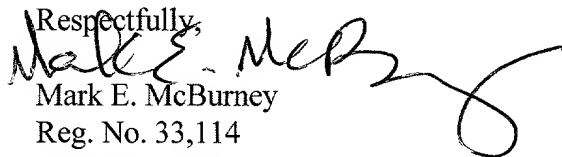
- ☒ 19 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
☒ 8 Pages of Claims ( Claims 1 - 24 )  
☒ 5 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

## CLAIMS AS FILED

| FOR                       | Number<br>Filed |       | Number<br>Extra |   | Rate  |   | Basic Fee<br>(\$710) |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|---|-------|---|----------------------|
| Total Claims              | 24              | -20 = | 4               | X | \$ 18 | = | \$72                 |
| Independent Claims        | 3               | -3 =  | 0               | X | \$ 80 | = | \$0                  |
| Multiple Dependent Claims | 0               |       |                 | X | \$270 | = | \$0                  |
| <b>Total Filing Fee</b>   |                 |       |                 |   |       |   | <b>= \$782</b>       |

- ☒ Please charge \$782 to IBM Corporation, Deposit Account No. 09-0447.  
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with the communication or credit any over payment to IBM Corporation, Deposit Account No. 09-0447. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16.  
☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17.

Respectfully,



Mark E. McBurney

Reg. No. 33,114

Intellectual Property Law Dept.

IBM Corporation

11400 Burnet Road 4054

Austin, Texas 75758

Telephone: (512) 823-1003

08/09/01  
1049 U.S. PTO1050 U.S. PTO  
09/925584  
08/09/01

09923584-000001